

**Forest Land- Sindhudurg**

**Diversion of 4.13 ha of forest land in favour of Small Scale Irrigation (W.C.) Division, Kuwarbav, Ratnagiri for construction of Minor Irrigation Tank at Mazgaon, Taluka-Sawantwadi, District - Sindhudurg in the State of Maharashtra.**

**Government of Maharashtra  
Revenue and Forest Department  
Government Order No.: FLD- 14A18/C.R.71/F-10  
Mantralaya, Mumbai-400 032.  
Date : 30.06.2025**

**Ref.:**

- 1) Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur, Letter No. Desk-17/NC/II/ID-12579/(26)/2852/2017-18, dt.23.02.2018.
- 2) Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur Letter FC-I/MH-91/2018-NGP/3831, dt. 14.06.2018.
- 3) Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur, Letter No. Desk-17/FCA-S2/PID-27067/Kolhapur/1543, dt.21.08.2023.  
Letter No. Desk-17/FCA-S2/PID-27067/Kolhapur/2994, dt.23.01.2024.
- 4) Revenue and Forest Department, Government of Maharashtra, Government letter No. FLD- 14A18/C.R.71/F-10, dt.09.09.2023.
- 5) Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur Letter FC-I/MH-91/2018-NGP/12892, dt. 16.02.2024.
- 6) Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur, Letter No. Desk-17/FCA-Final/PID-27067/Kolhapur/1185, dt.12.08.2024.  
Letter No. Desk-17/FCA-S2/PID-27067/Kolhapur /24-25/2742, dt.10.03.2025.

**Order :**

Whereas, the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur, vide his letter under reference No.1 has submitted a proposal for diversion of 4.13 ha of forest land in favour of Small Scale Irrigation (W.C.) Division, Kuwarbav, Ratnagiri for construction of Minor Irrigation Tank at Mazgaon, Taluka-Sawantwadi in Sindhudurg District in the State of Maharashtra;

AND whereas, the Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur after due consideration, vide letter under reference No.2, accorded '**In-principle**' approval to divert the 4.13 ha. forest Land for the above

project under section 2 Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980. The said approval is subject to fulfillment of certain conditions by the User Agency;

AND whereas, the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur, vide letters under reference No.3 has submitted compliance of those conditions to the Government of Maharashtra and Government of India;

AND whereas, the State Government vide letter under reference No.4 has submitted compliance of those conditions to the Government of India;

AND whereas, the Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur, vide under reference no. 5 accorded '**Final approval**' to divert the 4.13 ha of forest land in favour of Small Scale Irrigation (W.C.) Division, Kuwarbav, Ratnagiri for construction of Minor Irrigation Tank at Mazgaon, Taluka-Sawantwadi in Sindhudurg District in the State of Maharashtra under section 2 of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980;

AND whereas, the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur vide letters under reference No.6 has requested State Government to issue diversion order in the matter;

NOW, therefore, Government of Maharashtra hereby directs that the area of 4.13 ha. consisting of Identified Forest, Reserved Forest Land more specifically described in the proposal submitted vide letter under reference No. 1 and as per details given in the Schedule given below, be diverted to the User Agency, i.e. Executive Engineer, Small Scale Irrigation (W.C) Division Kuwarbav, Ratnagiri for construction of Minor Irrigation Tank at Mazgaon, Taluka-Sawantwadi in Sindhudurg District in the State of Maharashtra.

The diversion shall be effected subject to the terms and conditions mentioned in the letter dated 14.06.2018 and dated 16.02.2024 of Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Nagpur. This approval for diversion of forest land is also subject to compliance of following conditions by the User Agency-

1. Deputy Conservator of Forest, Sawantwadi should ensure that fulfillment of condition No. ii & iv mentioned in the letter dated 16.02.2024 of Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Nagpur before giving possession of the forest land to the user agency.
2. User Agency shall comply with all the conditions stipulated in the 'in-principle' and 'final approval' letters of Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Nagpur, referred above. The Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Kolhapur shall ensure the strict compliance of the conditions by the User Agency and shall furnish the report in this regard to Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur from time to time.
3. Non-compliance of any of the conditions mentioned in Regional Office, MoEF&CC letters dated 14.06.2018 and dated 16.02.2024, in this order and Rules & Guidelines made / issued under Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980, shall

amount to violation of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and action would be taken accordingly.

4. In case of non-compliance of any of the above conditions, the Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Kolhapur shall report through the State Government to the Deputy Director General of Forests (Central), Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur as per procedure laid down in guidelines under the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980.

**Schedule**

Sr. No	Item	Village	Taluka & Dist.	Survey No.	Area in ha.	Legal Status
1	Dam Sheet	Mazgaon	Taluka - Sawantwadi & District - Sindhudurg	289	0.61	Identified Forest (MFP-1975-Sec-22A)
				292	0.37	Reserved Forest
2	Submerge	Mazgaon		289	0.85	Identified Forest (MFP-1975-Sec-22A)
				292	1.77	Reserved Forest
3	Waste Weir approach & Tail Channel	Mazgaon		277	0.31	Identified Forest (MFP-1975-Sec-22A)
4	Road Diversion	Mazgaon		289	0.07	Identified Forest (MFP-1975-Sec-22A)
				292	0.15	Reserved Forest
				<b>Total</b>	<b>4.13</b>	

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By order and in the name of the Governor of Maharashtra,

**(Ganesh Jadhao)**

**Under Secretary to the Government of Maharashtra**

**Copy to:**

1. Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, New Delhi
2. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Maharashtra State, Nagpur
3. Deputy Director General of Forest (Central), Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur.
4. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife), Maharashtra State, Nagpur

5. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Nodal Officer, M.S., Nagpur
6. APCCF& Chief Executive Officer (Maha-CAMPA), Maharashtra State, Nagpur
7. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Conservation), M.S., Nagpur
8. Chief Conservator of Forests (Territorial), Kolhapur.
9. Collector, Sindhudurg.
10. Chief Executive Officer, Zilha Parishad, Sindhudurg.
11. Deputy Conservator of Forests, Sawantwadi.
12. Executive Engineer, Small Scale Irrigation (W.C) Division Kuwarbav, Ratnagiri.
13. Select File, Desk F-10.

- I. Collector- Sindhudurg, Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Parishad, Sindhudurg and Deputy Conservator of Forests, Sawantwadi are hereby directed to forward the copy of this order to concerned Heads of Local Bodies, Panchayats, Municipal Bodies in addition to the relevant offices of the Government and they shall also ensure the display of this order on their notice board as well as on the notice board of local self-government bodies for the information of general public.
- II. Executive Engineer, Small Scale Irrigation (W.C) Division Kuwarbav, Ratnagiri, is hereby directed that they should publish the entire order of forest clearances granted in verbatim along with the details of Survey No., Gut No., area and legal status of each Survey, Gut No. etc., along with the conditions and safe guards imposed by the State Government while granting forest clearances in two widely circulated daily newspapers, one in vernacular language and other in English language. Copy of the Newspapers be submitted to Chief Conservator of Forests (Territorial), Kolhapur, Deputy Conservator of Forests, Sawantwadi
- III. Heads of Local Bodies, Panchayats and Municipal Bodies in addition to the relevant offices of the Government are hereby directed to display the same on their notice board for 30 days from the date of receipt for the information of general public.